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## HITCHCOCK TO SEE PRESIDENT WILSON

Conference Planned to Determine Course of Administration in Last Stages of Treaty Fight—To Learn Those Reservations That Will Be Accepted.

Washington, Nov. 16.—A conference between President Wilson and Senator Hitchcock, administration leader in the senate contest over the peace treaty, is expected tonight to determine largely the fate of the treaty and plans for adjournment of the special session of congress. Senator Hitchcock will see the president before the senate reconvenes to take up the final reservations to the treaty and expects to obtain from him a final word on the form of reservations he will accept. The conference was arranged at Senator Hitchcock's request after seeing a number of Democratic leaders.

Definite outcome of the treaty controversy this week—either by a deadlock for reserved ratification, the adjournment of the special session of congress—tonight seemed assured. With the cloture rule in effect, the senate tomorrow will take up the two remaining committee reservations and after disposal of dozens of individual reservations reach the last stage of ratification resolution. With final action on the treaty, adjournment sine die of the session, which began May 19, is planned, before the new and long session begins two weeks from tomorrow. All members are hoping for a few days' rest.

**House to Mark Time.**  
What the house will do while the senate is in the last stage of the treaty fight had not been determined today. The railroad bill will be taken up again tomorrow and probably passed by tomorrow night or Tuesday. Not much will be done after that. If forced to wait for the senate's action on the treaty, house leaders hope members may leave under a "gentleman's recess agreement."

## U. S. DRY ORGANIZER IN LONDON ACCEPTS ATTACK AS MERE STUDENT'S LARK

London, Nov. 15.—William E. Johnson, the American prohibition worker and Anti-Saloon League organizer, who yesterday was dragged from a platform and badly handled by the crowd while making a prohibition speech, discussed his experiences, with a reporter today. He admitted that when he was first attacked he attempted to fight off the crowd, but that when he found it was only a students' lark he entered the fun and enjoyed himself.

"The boys were all right," Mr. Johnson declared. "The police handled the situation well; if they had tried to force things a lot of people might have been hurt. I am sending this message to the students: 'You had a good time. I had a good time. I have no complaints, but if you want fun get into the game against the greatest enemy of the human race—drink.'"

Mr. Johnson hopes, when the injury to his eye is better, to visit the college and address the students.

The injury to Mr. Johnson's eye is painful and is said to have been caused by a missile thrown by an unknown person. He will consult a specialist today.

## COTTON MARKET.

November 17.

Spot cotton	40.12
December	36.88
January	35.49
March	33.91
May	37.69

## U. S. STOPS SHIPMENT OF ARMS FROM BELGIUM AND SPAIN TO MEXICO

Washington, Nov. 15.—Large orders for arms and ammunition, placed by Mexico in Belgium and Spain, in preparation for the possibility of American intervention, came to light today when the state department let it become known that the government had taken steps to prevent their shipment.

The charge d'affaires of the United States embassy in Brussels has protested, under instructions, that shipment of the munitions would be in violation of the international arms convention. As Spain is not a party to the agreement which was designed to aid in keeping the peace of the world during the after-the-war transition period, no such direct action is probable at Madrid.

The order in Belgium was placed with the Fabrique Nationale d'Arms at Liege, probably under the direction of Candido Aguilar, Mexican minister of foreign affairs and President Carranza's son-in-law, who went to Europe recently, after stopping here and placing a wreath on George Washington's tomb at Mount Vernon.

The orders in Spain, which included rifles, millions of rounds of ammunition, and a large number of machine guns, were negotiated thru the Mexican minister there, Eliseo Arrendondo, former ambassador to the United States, and President Carranza's nephew.

## WHO WILL BE THE NEXT SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY?

Washington, Nov. 16.—Politicians are busy guessing whom the president will select as successor to Carter Glass, secretary of the treasury, who has been designated as senator from Virginia.

White House officials indicate that there is no hurry at all in the matter and are interested only in the springing of new names for consideration by the president.

The three names heard most today are Mr. Bernard Baruch, Russell C. Leffingwell, assistant secretary of the treasury, and Swager Sherley, formerly representative from Kentucky.

## Promoted To Major.

Major J. D. Fulp it is now. Capt. J. D. Fulp, superintendent of the Abbeville Public Schools, has received communication from the War Department that he has been commissioned a major in the Infantry Section, Officers' Reserve Corps, such appointment valid for five years. The major's many friends in Abbeville will be glad to learn of his promotion to a majority.

## From Lander College.

Special music was furnished at the Methodist Church Sunday morning and evening by Misses Pearl Moore, Lila Teal and Ruby Hill Devlin, Lander College, who were guests of Miss Mildred Cochran for the week-end. The two former played the violin, accompanied on the piano by Miss Devlin. The renditions were enjoyed by the congregation and would bring credit on the musical department of any college.

## Seeking Dr. Snyder.

Spartanburg, Nov. 15.—A dispatch from Baltimore says the trustees of Randolph Macon Woman's college will probably offer the presidency of that institution to Dr. H. N. Snyder, president of Wofford college. Dr. Snyder is not in the city today, but his friends here recalled that three years ago the same position was offered him and he declined. They are not inclined to believe Dr. Snyder has changed his position.

Mr. and Mrs. James Parish and children, Birmingham, are visiting their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Gullede.

## MEETING PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION TO BE HELD THIS AFTERNOON

The regular November meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association will be held in the High School building this (Tuesday) afternoon at 4:00 o'clock.

This meeting will be devoted principally to discussions of high school problems and the programme will be furnished by representatives of the four high school grades, with the exception of the address of the afternoon which will be delivered by Professor J. W. Thomson of the Winthrop faculty, formerly a resident of Abbeville. The officers of the association are desirous that a large number of members of the association and patrons of the school be present to welcome Prof. Thomson.

A report will be rendered by the publicity committee regarding ways and means of providing adequate playground apparatus at both school grounds and other matters of vital interest to parents and teachers will be taken up.

The membership dues are only 25 cents a year and all the patrons who have not yet joined the association are requested to give their names and dues to Mrs. C. C. Gambrell, the treasurer of the association.

## DEATH OF MRS. MARTHA PLATT BENTON

Abbeville was shocked and grieved Sunday morning to hear of the death of Mrs. W. Frank Benton, which occurred Sunday morning at 2 o'clock at the home of her sister, Mrs. Marvin Parler, in Wedgefield. Little is known of the particulars of her death, the news coming in a telephone message Sunday morning.

As Miss Martha Platt, Mrs. Benton was well known to the people of the city and throughout the county. She came to Abbeville about five years ago as county demonstrator and by her tireless work, her ability and tact, made a record for herself in her work.

About four years ago she was happily married to Mr. Frank Benton and as a young married woman was beloved of a wide circle of friends.

A few months ago Mr. Benton secured leave of absence from the Seaboard and they moved to Wedgefield, where they have lately made their home.

Mrs. Benton is survived by her husband and little daughter, Frances, her sister, Mrs. Parler, and one brother. Abbeville friends grieve with the disconsolate husband and relatives.

## To Play Ninety-Six.

The Abbeville High School football team will play Ninety-Six here Friday, November 21, game called at 4 p. m. Ninety-Six is reported to have a strong team and the game promises to be a good one. The local eleven has been playing great football recently and is a well trained team, reflecting much credit on Coach Swetenburg. The attendance at these games has been small and the kind of football put up by Abbeville merits better patronage. Support is just as necessary to a winning team as star players and if the local High School is to make a name for itself in athletics the people of Abbeville should attend the games.

## Visitors From Lander.

Misses Mildred Cochran, Ruby Hill Devlin, Lila Teal and Pearl Moore came over from Lander College Saturday and spent until Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Jas. S. Cochran. Saturday night Misses Hannah and Carrie Cochran entertained at a four-course supper complimentary to the young ladies. Besides the visitors Misses Vic Howie and Mary Greene were guests.

## Preaches Farewell Sermon.

The Rev. J. L. Daniel preached his farewell sermon Sunday morning to a large congregation. He leaves this week for Newberry to assume charge of his new pastorate.

## OUTLOOK FOR ATTENDANCE VERY BRIGHT FOR STATE TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

Rock Hill, S. C., Nov. 15, 1919.—Officials of the State Teachers Association of South Carolina, report that the outlook for a large attendance at the Thanksgiving meeting is very bright indeed. From all over the state, letters have been received by the president and secretary, stating that there will be a good representation. It is expected that at least 1,000 to 1,200 teachers will be in attendance in Columbia. The trustees in various sections have already announced that there will be holiday, and some are paying the expenses of the teachers to attend.

The full program of the meeting has just come from the press and are being mailed out to the teachers today by Secretary R. C. Burts. Teachers who fail to get these programs may have one by addressing the secretary at Rock Hill.

It is very important for all of those who expect to go to communicate with J. T. Carter, Sec. Chamber of Commerce and make their arrangements for board and lodging before they go. The local committee in Columbia strongly advise all those who expect to go to make arrangements now.

## PLAN OF NATIONAL GUARD ASSOCIATION EMBODIED IN BILL BEFORE SENATE

Washington, Nov. 15.—The plan of the National Guard association of the United States for the reorganization of the state militia of the country, embodying a proposal for a system of voluntary military and physical training, is coming through the schools and colleges, was submitted to the senate Thursday night in a bill by Senator Frelinghuysen, Republican, New Jersey. It was referred to the military committee. The measure provides for an armed force of approximately 348,000 officers and men, augmented by a reserve force of former service men.

The bill was drafted by a special committee appointed at the association's convention in St. Louis last May. Owing to the pending army reorganization bill, the senate committee will give immediate consideration to the measure. Colonel R. H. Gillette, who assisted in drafting the bill, will appear before the committee tomorrow.

## Death of Mr. Barksdale.

Mr. John C. Barksdale died at his home in Laurens County last week after a short illness. Mr. Barksdale came to Abbeville a year or two ago as County Farm Demonstrator and worked among us for several months. At the death of his father he resigned and returned to Laurens. His wife died last January and his death leaves a ten months old child, an orphan.

Mr. Barksdale was a bright young man and our people regret his untimely passing.

## Abbeville Defeats Greenwood.

The Abbeville High School football team overwhelmed the Greenwood eleven here Friday by the score of 25 to 0. Abbeville's goal was never in danger. Although outweighed ten pounds to the man the local team rushed the Greenwood boys off their feet and kept them going during the entire game. The work of Donald Harris, Claude Gambrell and Allan Long for Abbeville was conspicuously good. The Greenwood team showed individual talent, but the teamwork was poor.

## In Charge of Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis McMillan visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Gambrell Sunday. Mr. McMillan was on his way to Greenwood where he goes to take charge of the new Efrid store that is being established there. Mr. and Mrs. McMillan have made their home in Anderson for the past several years.

## AN INCREASED WAGE SCHEDULE SUBMITTED TO BROTHERHOODS

Washington, Nov. 15.—Director General Hines today submitted to Representatives of the four railway brotherhoods an increased wage scale, amounting approximately to three million dollars a month.

The proposal, laid before representatives of the brotherhoods at the closing session of the wage conference, was taken under advisement. It was not what the men had asked for, but their answer will be presented to the director general within the next ten days, and it was considered likely they would accept.

The increase would affect trainmen, firemen, engineers and conductors, but more particularly those employed in the slow freight train service.

There are many other questions affecting working conditions of trainmen which have not been decided and to which no reference has been made by Mr. Hines in public statements. These will be the basis for further conference between the brotherhood heads and members of the director general's staff. It was understood tonight that the conferences might be resumed early next week but no definite date was set.

## Statement By Hines.

In a statement tonight Mr. Hines said that "in order to give an additional measure of compensation to the train service employees in the slow freight service, time and one half will be paid for time required to make runs in excess of what would be required if an average speed of 12 1-2 miles per hour were maintained, provided, however, that all arbitrators and special allowances now paid in various forms of freight train service are eliminated for the railroads as a whole. "This proposal," he said, "bears on the most important matter under consideration."

## RIGHT TO "JIM CROW" CARS IS SUSTAINED

Washington, Nov. 16.—Southern congressmen today successfully routed all attempts to attach to the pending railroad bill in the house any provision to infringe the rights of the southern states to "Jim Crow" cars. In their fight they were aided by members from other parts of the country. By a vote of 142 to 12 a proposed amendment by Representative Madden, Illinois, Republican, was voted down and out of the measure.

Southern members in unison attacked the proposal telling the house it would disturb conditions in the south seriously and cause friction between the races. Representative Crisp, Democrat, Georgia, brought the debate to an end with a motion to strike out the proposed amendment and his motion prevailed.

Representative Stevenson, of South Carolina, told the house the south handled its negro problem better than the north, as was evidenced by the recent riots, and Representative Moore, of Virginia, reminded the members that the supreme court of the United States has sustained the right of the states to provide separate accommodations for the races on trains.

## Visitor From Newberry.

J. E. Lomax, a resident of this county for 60 years, but now living in Newberry County, visited his two sons, Victor Lomax and John Lomax in this city last week. Mr. Lomax returned to his home Monday.

## Another Whistle.

Last week we gave notice that our carrier, Bill Greene, would blow a whistle to let people know that the Press and Banner was at your door.

Mr. McKernan, who runs the big cement mixer, doesn't wish to be outdone, so says he is going to blow the whistle on the mixer every time a pretty girl walks down town and there are so many pretty girls in Abbeville that it will be a continuous performance.

## NEWS OFFERED A TRIP TO RUSSIA

All Expenses Paid—Said That Radicals Want To Leave America—Soviets Plan Move For Undesirable Aliens In This Country. Letter to Lansing.

New York, Nov. 16.—Ludwig C. A. K. Martin, self-styled "ambassador of the Russian Soviet Government to the United States," has offered to provide transportation from the United States to Russia for all Russian citizens who desire to leave America or whose presence in the United States is undesirable to the federal government. This offer was made in a letter written by Martins to Secretary of State Lansing and made public here tonight.

In his letter Martins protests against the "unwarranted and cruel treatment" to which many Russian citizens in the United States are subjected by "federal and state officers as well as by mobs acting without authority." He proposes that the Soviet government be permitted to return these citizens to Soviet Russia and declares that he has received thousands of applications from such citizens who are anxious to return to their homes.

## Martens Arrested.

Martins was arrested for contempt Saturday and released on \$1,000 bail after he had refused to appear and bring certain documents before the Lusk legislative committee, investigating radical activities in New York. He based his refusal on the ground that all communications passing between himself and his government were privileged. When brought before the committee in the custody of deputy sheriffs Saturday afternoon, Martins promised to appear before the committee Monday and to bring papers with him.

## COMPULSORY ARBITRATION OF RAIL LABOR DISPUTES IS REJECTED BY HOUSE

Washington, Nov. 15.—Compulsory arbitration of railroad labor disputes was rejected today by the house which voted, 151 to 75, to substitute in the pending railroad bill the plan of voluntary conciliation offered by Representative Sweet, Republican, Iowa, and endorsed by railroad workers. The house, then, by a vote of 161 to 103, substituted the Sweet plan for that proposed in the Eash bill.

## BAKER APPROVES DESIGN FOR VICTORY MEDAL

Washington, Nov. 15.—The design for the Victory medal to be given every American who took part in the world war, was approved today by Secretary Baker. James E. Frazier, a New York sculptor, designed the medal, which will be of bronze about the size of a silver dollar. On the one side will be a figure of victory with the inscription "The Great War for Civilization," and on the reverse side the names of the allied and associated powers.

## WARDLAW LYON RETURNS HOME

Wardlaw Lyon, son of United States Marshal Lyon, who was severely wounded in action while fighting with the 118th infantry in France, received his discharge from the army and from the Fort McPherson hospital this week and has returned to Greenville. Corporal Lyon was horribly wounded in his leg and it was feared at first that it would have to be amputated, but by almost miraculous surgery the leg was saved and is now almost in normal condition.

Corporal Lyon was wounded in the last big battle in which the 118th infantry participated. —Greenville Herald.